

REMARKS

The present amendment is prepared in accordance with the requirements of 37 C.F.R. § 1.121. A complete listing of all the claims in the application is shown above showing the status of each claim. For current amendments, inserted material is underlined and deleted material has a line therethrough.

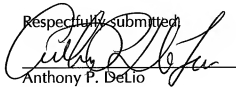
In the action mailed June 12, 2006, claims 1 and 10 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being anticipated by U. S. Patent No. 2,164,290 to Hurd. All remaining claims were either allowed (claims 15-30) or indicated to be allowable if amended to independent form with all limitations of the parent and any intervening claims.

The applicant has canceled claims 1 and 10. The limitations of claim 1 have been introduced into claims 2 and 6, which were previously dependent on claim 1 and claims 2 and 6 have been amended to independent form. The limitations of claim 10 have been introduced into claim 11 and claim 11 has been amended to independent form.

In view of the amendments made above, it is respectfully submitted that the application has now been brought into a condition where allowance of the entire case is proper. Reconsideration and issuance of a notice of allowance are respectfully solicited.

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